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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is a response to the written Restriction Requirement dated August 15, 2008. A

Petition for a Five Month Extension of Time is submitted herewith to extend the deadline for response from September 15, 2008 to February 15, 2009.

Election

In the present application, Applicants elect without traverse to prosecute the invention directed to an image forming system having a focal length varying means comprising means for moving one or more optical elements into and out of the optical path. Accordingly, the Group I claims are elected for prosecution in the present application and include claims 1-3 and 14-24.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application with respect to non-elected claims 2-3 and 21-24.

Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment for entering this Response to our deposit account no. 08-3040.

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